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Docket No. 320727.50401
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
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Application of: Kubota *et al.*

Application No.: 09/678,953

Group Art Unit: 1632

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Examiner: Thaian N. Ton

For: METHODS OF ISOLATING BIPOTENT
HEPATIC PROGENITOR CELLS

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from
the decision dated April 30, 2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-24.

The items checked below are appropriate.

1. ☒ A Petition for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the final rejection,
together with the \$ 205.00 extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, is being filed concurrently
herewith.
2. ☐ A Petition for an additional _____ month extension of time to take further action,
together with the \$ _____ extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, was filed on _____.
3. ☐ Fee \$320.00

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☒ Fee \$160.00

☐ Enclosed

☐ Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)

☒ Charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith)

4. ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1710. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

5. ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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